

ROMAD:: ROBERT (BOB) ALCALA

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LA QUINTA, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 7 DASF Years 64 ~ 66 WHEELER AFB, HAWAII

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments The 7th was the first to get the radio equipment loaded jeep - MRC-108. I went to Collins radio to see it before it was shipped. We were the first to get the Air Force ar15/m16. These were the ones we had before the army messed them up using the black powder. We also had the p38 peacemaker pistol. We trained with all of them and also trained other DASF UNITS THAT CAME TO HAWAII. This was before all units had their jeeps. That's all for now.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: PAUL E ANDREASEN

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LOMPOC, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 6 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: GENE MELVIN (MEL) ASHFORD CAPT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CASTRO VALLEY, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? FAC Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 7-72 ~ 8-73 19TH TASS

Assignments Assigned: 19 TASS July 1972 - Aug 1973 Not a ROMAD, I was the Electronics Maintenance and Operations Officer - ROMADS were assigned to me as Radio Maintenance types but reported to their FAC.

History Electronics Officer Course (30XX), Keesler AFB, 1969 - 1970. Served in Tactical Communications units, discharged 1977. Joined Calif National Guard, C 2 Bn, 159 Infantry as an 11B. retired 1995.

Comments

Pictures / Orders Photos are fairly benign, typical DASC stuff, MRC-108s, Korean officers, etc.

ROMAD:: MICHAEL AYALA

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 21 TASS

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES F BAILEY SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CAROL STREAM, IL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER ## N/A

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-66 ~ 8-67 RVN

Assignments Assigned: 1st Cavalary Division, An Khe, RVN -- FAC/ALO Various places,including Phan Thiet, Bong Son, others

History I spent 8 years in the USAF working on ground radio, radar, and ultimately, digital computer systems. I learned a lot about computers and have spent my life working in the computer industry.

Comments Our group call sign was Ragged Scooper from 8-66 - 8-67

Very interesting time in RVN especially in the boonies with the grunts. Lots of exciting action, mortar attacks, etc. Also a lot of pleasant memories of funny things that happened while there. Tons of stories to share.

Pictures / Orders Unfortunately my photos were lost in a basement flood many years ago. Very sad.

ROMAD:: MATHEW BALASIS SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ST. PETERSBURG, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 6-66 ~ 6-67 ? 19-TASS ?

Assignments Assigned: Yes, attached to the 2nd Battalion 8th Infantry of the 4th Infantry Division at Dragon Mtn (Pleiku) and while attached to the 5th Special Forces Group at Dak To near Kontum.

507th DAS Squadron, Shaw AFB, SC

History

Comments I entered the Air Force in November of 1964 as a 30434 "Bypass Specialist" being assigned to the 507th DAS at Shaw AFB, SC, immediately after basic training. I deployed with the 4th Infantry Division from Ft. Lewis Washington and spent 12 months in Vietnam from June of 1966 until June of 1967 when I was assigned to a GTAR in Indiana for 12 months prior to being reassigned to Macdill AFB when the site was decommissioned. I spent all 4 years as a 304X4 receiving my honorable discharged at Macdill AFB, FL as a SSGT 30454 in 1968.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DERRILL W BALLENGER SSGT

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 505 TASC

Assignments Assigned: Yes - 505 Tactical Control Maintenance Squadron
ROK Capital Division, Cavalry Regiment, Binh Dinh Province

History Retired 1985

Comments

Pictures / Orders Webmaster has some of my pictures

ROMAD:: RONALD M BAME A2/C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: PIERCETON, IN

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 64-66 YOKOTA AB JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: 41st Air Division - Yokota Japan Assigned to DASK Alpha Nah Nrtrang RVN -
Korean Tiger HQ Location is South Vietnam with DASC Alpha as a ROMAD.

History

Comments Los Vegas is fine anytime after 4-08

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ANTHONY MERRITT BANTA A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: EAST SANDWICH, MA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 **DASF Years**

Assignments Assigned: Miami Beach ROMAD - Tiger (Tuy Hoa Sector) Years not given

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: GLENN R BARKER

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SPRINGFIELD, IL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD **Deceased?**

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 **DASF Years** 63 ~ 66 **YOKOTA JAPAN**

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments Los Vegas sounds like a good site for the reunion. There would be plenty to do there and I understand that air fare there is about as reasonable as you can get plus room rate are good. Springfield has the Lincoln sites including the new Lincoln Library and Museum, plus New Salem village (where Lincoln was a young man). Springfield would be more centrally located but I'm not sure it would be as easy to get to. Air line schedules are rather limited. And other than the Lincoln sites there isn't a lot to do. I would prefer that it be held sometime next year to give us all time to make plans to get there. I will be interested in talking to those who were in the DASF's after 1966 and just how the units developed after that.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: SVEN E BARKMAN MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MACY, IN

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD **Deceased?**

Call Sign in Vietnam: TUM101

Flight Number 1 **DASF Years** 06-68 ~ 11-68 **21ST TASS WITH ROK**

Assignments Assigned: Johnson AB Japan - 1 DASF Japan and 6060 DASS in Korea - 21st TASS Viet Nam
Callsign: Tum 101. With ROK Capital Division 1968 - 1969

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHARLES WAYNE BARTHOLOMEW A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ROXBORO, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: SIDEWINDER

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: I had been reassigned to Shaw AFB, SC after a reduced tour at Elmendorf AFB (Ft. Richardson) in AK in Nov 1964. I was reassigned to the 507th DASC at Shaw where we participated in many TDYs with the Army including back to Fairbanks, AK. By this time I had already been teamed with a Captain Jerry K. Richards (FAC). There were already 4 other officer/airman teams formed. We were selected for embedding into the 1st Infantry Division which was about to embark to Vietnam. There were 11 FAC / ROMAD teams already with the army at Ft. Reiley (sp). Our group of 5 teams flew out on a C-130 on 5 Oct 1965 and arrived in Vietnam on 6 Oct 1965 (my 25th birthday). Happy BD to me. Of our 16 original teams 15 stayed with the main HQ while Capt Richards and I were embedded with the 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry at Phu Loi. There I remained for a 6 month TDY with my Radio Jeep and the Capt flew his O1e Bird Dog. I never knew what I was until 50 years later.

Enemy fire: While at Phu Loi we never experienced any direct enemy fire. We had some incidents where flares were fired to light the outer perimeter. It was still a little early for us to get much action at our location even though later in the war our area was infiltrated and many under ground tunnels were discovered in the Iron Triangle.

History My entire enlistment was with the Air Force but I always tell folks that I spent more time with the Army.

Later, when I get my thoughts together. Was a long time ago and I am now 75.

Comments This was all new to me but I enjoyed watching / observing the evolution of living in the field.

Pictures / Orders Have a few pictures and can share.

ROMAD:: GREG BASSINE A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: TIGARD, OR

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: SIDEWINDER, RASH, JADE

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 19TH TASS 2 TOURS 1969 ~ 1970

Assignments Assigned: Bien Hoa, RVN

Fly O1e: We flew exclusively in OV-10 Broncos. Call signs: Sidewinder 30, Rash 30, Jade 30. Assigned to 19th TASS Based out of Bien Hoa. Spent 2 tours mostly at US Army Ranger locations, FSB's, etc.

Enemy fire: We were always experiencing ground fire (we usually took care of that in short order by either strafing, using our HE rockets or our WP's to place smoke on the bad guys to call in other air support (F4's, Spads, A1e's, Mohawks, US Army Cobras, etc.).

History First tour assigned to the First Infantry Division, second tour assigned to First Air Cav; both tours assigned to Ranger units to provide air support for them.

Comments Romad Comments: Felt I was very good at what I did. Did not like killing, but felt I was doing my part to protect and serve my Country. Had too many near death experiences to count, felt charmed I guess. Now rated with VA at 100% service connected with PTSD. Would still be there had the military let me spend more than 2 consecutive tours in VN.

Military Comments: Overall, in hindsight, I wish I would have stayed in and retired at 30 years still young enough to enjoy my pension. But, then I remembered all the chicken S^%\$ once I got away from combat, and felt I made the right selection. Went to Germany for 3 1/2 years after Nam. Loved being there.

Pictures / Orders Yes, have hundreds.

ROMAD:: WILLIAM BEASLEY

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DON S BECKEN MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: WEBSTER, NY

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: SLIDER

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: Det 1, 507th TAIRCW Ft Bragg, NC 1984-1987
3/325 ABCT (Det 1,4th ASOG) Vicenza, Italy 1987-1994
1 SFG (A) (1 ASOG) Ft Lewis, WA 1994-1998
1 ID (4th ASOG) Vilseck, Germany
13th ASOS, Ft Carson, CO

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LARRY BENNETT A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DEAR PARK, OH

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: STAMPEDE 17

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 2-67 ~ 5-68

Assignments After basic & tech school at Lackland AFB (1966), I had assignments to the 4th DASF with TDY to Hickam AFB Hawaii. After that I was assigned to McClellan AFB with TDY assignments within California, Alaska, Germany & England .

History

Comments Osan AFB and Wonju, Korea. My time in Korea overlapped with Gary Grubbs. We were deployed to support the First Korean Army at Wonju after North Korea captured the USS Pueblo and attempted to assassinate Park Chung-Hee.

Pictures / Orders Yes. Pictures of Korea and Hawaii. Other pictures during my 4 years in the AF don't pertain to my DASF assignments.

ROMAD:: MICHAEL EDWARD BERRYMAN A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ST PETERBURG, FL

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 7-66 ~ 7-77 505 TASS

Assignments Assigned: Was in vietnam 505th TCMS allocated to 1st Australian Task Force Phouc Tuy province (nui dat base camp) came under fire.

History One year in Vietnam, 6 month TDY in Osan, Korea (Pueblo incident), almost 2 years in Phillipines.....

Comments Commando Escort, Clark AB, Phillipines 1970/1971

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHARLES (CHUCK) A BLACKBURN A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: WEAVERVILLE, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 66 ~ 67 503 DASS 68-69

Assignments Assigned: 1968-1969--Duke Field, Eglin AFB. Can't remember outfit designation, but it was squadron-level combat communications. We had to go through Ground Combat School (at least I did)

History Enlisted 1963; basic, then Keesler for 304x4 training; GATR sites in Cut Bank, MO and Hastings, NE; next to Osan then to Eglin; sent right back to same outfit, now called 503 DASS but quartered at Camp Casey full time; last assignment to Andrews AFB GAR site at Brandywine, MD.

Comments Korea was certainly an eye-opener for all of us, especially those of us younger folks. With a unique culture to explore and the possibility of being in a "hot" war at any second, we were certainly out of our comfort zones at times. My first tour, my FAC and I went TDY every other week to some Army camp to train with different units. Driving on those roads (and very often OFF road) really killed my back to this day. I have several slides and photos I'll add to the gallery when I can. Thanx to all who provided theirs, brought back lots of memories!!

Pictures / Orders While we all appreciate the efforts of those who have submitted photos, if very simple info such as date / year and general or specific location would be of even greater value.

ROMAD:: BURT BLATTER CAPT

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? FAC Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 65 ~ 66 OSAN AB KOREA

Assignments Assigned: 4th DASF in 1965

History Served in Korea with the 4th DASF

Comments

Pictures / Orders Pictures on 4th DASF web page

ROMAD:: JOE BLINK MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: OLIVEHURST, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-71 ~ 8-73 19TH TASS

Assignments Assigned: Bien Hoa - Flew in 0-1, 0-2, Huey, rear cargo of OV-10, Army Cariboo, CH-46 (backing a jeep and trailer in was not easy and knowing that any problems in the air and the equipment goes out the door as soon as I could pull the pin on the thermite grenade). Most were equipment deliveries, but the 0-1's and 0-2's were FAC Orientation flights.

Enemy fire: Fall 1971, Nui Ba Den, 25th Inf / Fall 1971, Mekong River outside of Can Tho, Naval River Forces / Spring 1972, Loc Ninh, Avn Company with 1st Inf / On the road between Can Tho and Bien Hoa, Fall 1971, Summer 1972

History Military Units: Used primarily as a rover, installer, troubleshooter and short notice deployer.

Comments Romad Comments: Loved the assignment. Drove almost 35,000 miles. Missed 2 consecutive freedom flights home to drive to locations only I had been to before. A few brown spots on my tidy whites but overall. Enjoyed the ROMAD assignment better than my tours at Nha Trang (65-66), Can Rahn Bay (66-67) and Saigon (68-69-70).

Military Comments: Great assignments. Loved the Special Ops outfits and the one of a kind units.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: STEVEN LYNN BOWEN A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CLAY CITY, KY

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: BONDAGE 04

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 69 ~ 70 603 DASS

Assignments Assigned: 603 DASS Korea 1969-1970 - Vietnam - Bondage 04 flew some missions in 01 Birddog, Nightmare Range, Pocheon, Korea - US Army units, US Marine units and 5th ROK Corps

History Basic Lackland, Keesler 1 Year of electronics training, 728th TAC Shaw AFB, SC .. 2 years TDY all of the time to various post including Hurlbert Field, Retired CW4 from US Army Reserve with 41 years of service. Called to Active Duty for Desert Storm. I loved my job.

Comments It was a great experience; I became an adult because of my training and the mission that we accomplished.

Pictures / Orders They are on the 603 DASS site.

ROMAD:: MICHAEL LUCAS BOZIEVICH A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LAUREL, MD

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 3 DASF Years DEC '64 ~ JUN '66

Assignments Okinawa - TDY with 173RD Airborne in Vietnam. May 1965 to Sept. 1965. Jungle Survival School in PI. 1965. Military exercise in Korea Feb. 1966. TDY Jump school - 1st Special Forces in Okinawa June 1966.

History Did you ever experience enemy fire?: Driving in a convoy with the 173RD gong out of Pleiku.

Comments Many good memories, some Bad. I would have stayed in the service, but situations at home changed.

Pictures / Orders I have a June 1966 Falcon paper showing some of the members of the 3RD DASF graduating from jump school in Okinawa., and a picture of myself standing beside of one of our radio jeeps.

ROMAD:: ORVILLE TOM BRANHAM A3C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: THE VILLAGES, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: PYTHON / RAGGED SCOOPER

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 7- 65 ~ 5- 66 41ST AIR DIVISION - YOKOTA JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: DASC Alpha Nah Trang RVN - 173rd Airborne Brigade 1st Field Force Vietnam

History Yup: Iron Triangle - in Vietnam. Rode Shotgun on a couple of flights with Capt. Kaneski while in Vietnam. With Scout unit for 173rd near Ben Hoa. Only time I was fired upon directly. Try to remember the good and forget the bad. A lot of good memories, good friends, and good times.

Comments

Pictures / Orders No Pictures all have been lost over the years, All orders I have been sent

ROMAD:: ELBERT M BRUNSON

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years YOKOTA AB JAPAN

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: RICHARD JOHN BULLEN JR. A3C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FAYETTEVILLE, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: BRAVO / NOVEMBER

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 12-71 ~ 11-72 20 TASS VIETNAM

Assignments Assigned: 20th TASS I-Corp FOL's Camp Eagle, Hue and LZ Sally
Camp Eagle Hue Da Nang LZ Sally
Was a Pipeline student Keesler to Da Nang RVN

Update:

1. Da Nang- Bully control Sq Ops Jan- Mar
2. Camp Eagle Mar- Apr BILK Control
3. Hue May -Jun TRAIL Control
4. Camp Eagle Jun- July BILK Control
5. Pleiku AB Aug
6. LZ Sally Sept- Oct TOKI Control

Enemy fire: YES Easter Offensive ?? Hue Nguyen in I Corp 1st ARVN Div/ USMC Anglico Div/
VNMC Div Mar-Nov 1972

Other units: ARMY MARINES Viet Marines

Fly O1e: Mar-1 May Camp Eagle RVN Bilk Control Bravo November
May - June Hue Trail Control Bravo November duece
Aug- Oct LZ Sally RVN Toki Control Bravo November

Enemy fire: Yes throughout 1972

Military Units: 1St ARVN Div Camp Eagle 1st Anglico Advisory group Viet Marines brigades
147 & 258

366th TFW, 20th Tactical Air Support Squadron Da Nang RVN
1st tactical Air Support Group, 1st TASG

Fly O1e: Bilk Control Bravo November, Camp Eagle RVN 1st ARVN Airborne
Trail Control Bravo November Deuce Hue Vietnamese Marines
Bilk Control Bravo November Camp Eagle 1st Airborne
Toki Control Bravo November LZ Sally RVN USMC/VNMC

Viet Airborne / Viet Marines/USMC

History Worked with FAC's during the Easter Offensive as ground radio op with US Army Artillery
Support and Marine units working Naval Gunfire

AF wasn't the same after working FOL's in RVN, hard to relate to SAC Rules and regs

After Nam they involuntarily crossed trained me to 702 (titleless waf) as a one level. When I
did not concur with my status, the AF and I went head to head.

Military Comments: After VN I didn't fair so well seems the AF didn't want to hear about one
19 yr olds displeasure of involuntarily being cross trained to a titleless waf.

Comments I would very much like to attend a Reunion of other ROMADS. One Principal suggestion
would be if the Organization could // Obtain Authorization To // Award the Bronze Star
Medals for Actions taken during the Easter Offensive. While assigned to Team 155 MACV
ADV. Col. Brookbanks has said in conversation he'd check on the status. One of those who
lived thru it and I have recently been reacquainted. His Name is John e. Bowman he worked
for Maj. Brookbanks and Capt Houston. He was Not alone SGT. CLARK LED THE TROOPS
SGT DANNY MOORE others R/O's were Grace and Howle. The draft message for personnel
to be Airlifted out of Au Ti stated USAF /7.I had the distinct pleasure of working with Clark,
Bowman<Moore and myself were on the insert team to reoccupy Hue May 3rd 1972. I have
searched the Army records. USAF is Next any one know who to talk to???

Then We were just Radio Operators, it wasn't til 3 years ago I heard the Phrase PackRats and
only recently the FACNET listing has me as a ROMAD, can only presume it's in the Blood. I
have pictures of several Radio Operators I-CORPS 1972

Romad Comments: Too Busy to recall details search of times shows deep involvemnet. Loss of AirCrews most depressing Save return or successful SAR very rewarding

Military comments: After Nam I went to SAC they involuntarrily cross trained me into tit less WAF or tried to anyways.

Romad Comments: Worked with the best Tactical Air Support Squadron bar none. Both tough to feel good when your under attack

Pictures / Orders Pictures: yes sent to KV4AL

ROMAD:: LABON T BUMPHUS TSGT

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: DERRY, NH

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 3 DASF Years 65 ~ 65 OKINAWA

Assignments Assigned: Attached to 173rd Airborne Brigade (separate)
War Zone "D"

History Now retired as a CMSGT (E-9)

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ALBERT BURCKHARD

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: KENT STEPHEN CALABRESE SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SEBRING, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 85 ALPHA

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1-66 ~ 12-66 ? 19 TASS ?

Assignments Assigned: 2nd Brigade Korean Marines (Blue Dragons) - Tuy Hoa Jan 1966-Aug 1966, Then same unit in I-Corp until late Dec 1966 when we were replaced by a US Marine ANGELCO team. Came home in a C-130 to Travis. Fly O1e: Yes from Tuy Hoa 1966

History Sure could have used a little training BEFORE starting this assignment. Received NONE... Just got off the plane at Tan Son Nhut, checked in at the 504th, got field equipment and sent north. What a surprise!!! Military Units: ROK Marines, 2nd Brigade (Blue Dragons)

22 Years in the AF were good. Would do it again.

Comments Enemy fire: Yes-while airborne in our one and only 01E out of TuyHoa. That one was enough!

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DAVID W CHALOUPKA SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SCHULENBURG, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 23 TASS '72 ~ '76

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: WALTER EARL CHEATHAM A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LAVEEN, AZ

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 41 CHARLE

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 11-66 ~ 10-67 DASF OSAN KOREA

Assignments Assigned: Right now 8/12/08, I am not sure which DASF that I was in. I'll have to look up that info. Turns out to be the 4th DASF. I do know that I was in the same group as Robin. He left country earlier in the same year I arrived (November '66).

Enemy Fire: No, but I did one week on the top of a mountin where the ROK regiment was clearing the area of "Charlie". Kinchloe AFB, Michigan, prior to going to Viet Nam. I was in a BOMARC missile squardon. I was part of the pre-launch crew. My particular group "maintained" the pre-launch and status equipment. AFSC 30454 (Ground Radio Maintenance) yet working with digital launch equipment - go figure.

Also assigned to Nah Trang

History First, basic training (Lackland AFB, Texas of course); Ground Radio school at Keesler AFB, Mississippi; CIM10B Status and Pre-launch equipment (Bomarc missile) school Chanute AFB, Illinois; Kinchloe AFB, Michigan plus a two week stint at Eglin AFB, Florida to actually participate in a launch of one of our missiles; Vietnam (North of Qui Nhon - next door to Phu Cat AFB with The First Regiment of the ROK Tiger Division (our pilots did recon and ran the air strikes). Then Home (early out - 4 months).

Spent time with the RoK's

Comments Not sure if I can be there or not, at this time if I can make it. Will consider any future reunions.

I have a few stories of my time in Michigan but too long to type it all here.

Pictures / Orders I have many, many slides from February '67 to when I left VN in October 67. I'll have to scan them and then I can post them on my web page, which is down for reconstructuon right now.

ROMAD:: CHARLES BRUCE COBB A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CHIPLEY, FL

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 9-64 ~ 9-65 1 DASF - JAPAN AND VIETNAM

Assignments Assigned: 1955- 1957 5th comm near Nagoya Japan.
1957 same unit Kadena Okinawa.
1958 760th AC&W near Colville WA.
1958-59 McChord AFB Tacoma WA.
1959-63 Fuchu AB Japan near Tokyo
1st MOB Johnson AB near Tokyo Japan
Plus Moran AB Spain.

Hill 29, ARVN 2nd Div 5th Reg. near Tam Ky - Enemy fire was mainly on operations, I went on everyone with 5th Reg. while I was there.

5th Comm and 608th Sq Gifu Japan - 1955-1957
Same Unit Kadena AFB Okinawa - 1957

History Loved the military but had to get out early after 13 years because of divorce and my custody of children. I have had prostate cancer and lung cancer as a result of agent orange and am in the process of submitting a claim for PTSD, which I didn't realize was affecting me until recently.

I was assigned to ARVN I Corps 5th Regmt south of Da Nang and about 10-12 miles north of Tam Ky. Many, many operations and many incidents of enemy fire. When I was in RVN we were called Pack Rats. I spent a year in the field. There was an army major and his radio operator at the rgmt but they normally didn't have much to do with me because I was USAF and they had their own things going. They only had to stay with the ARVN for 6 months but the USAF had no such policy so I stayed there for the whole year. Lt Turner was the ALO but I only saw him once or twice and that was in Da Nang. There was a FAC who came to the rgmt once and stayed for a few days, but when we were on an operation the commander (army) of the advisory teams came in by chopper and took him somewhere and told me I was now the FAC (ground of course) I never saw another team member at the rgmt. Someone came out once a month and gave me a paycheck. When I first got into the country only those who were in combat situations received combat pay. I received it every month but for the first few months we had to fill out a form showing all incidents of enemy fire. Pictures - I have quite a few but all are black and white. I can share.

Comments I just found out about this, had I known about it I would have certainly planned on this. I am flexible

I was assigned to ARVN 1 Corps 5th regiment. South of Danang and about 10-12 miles from Tamky. North of Chulai. Many operations and many incidents of enemy fire.

When I was in RVN we were called Pack Rats. I spent a year in the field. One army major and his radio operator who normally didn't have much to do with me because of me being USAF. They only had to stay there 6 months. USAF had no policy. There were some terrible things that happened while I was there. The FAC who was assigned came out once and almost got us killed. He was relieved of duty and the addigned me as the FAC.

1955-1967. Basic Parks AFB Calif.
ORadio school Keesler AFB MS.
Nagoy, Gifu and Okinawa 1955-1957
5th Comm and 601 and 608th Sq.
760th AC&W Colville WA.
Airways station Fuchu Japan
1st Mob Johnson AFB all near Tokyo.
McChord AFB WA in Charge of MARS station.
2nd Mob Moran AFB Spain 1967.
I loved the Air Force but but was forced to get out when I got a divorce and custody of my 3 children. The judge said he couldn't take a chance on me going back to Vietnam.

Pictures / Orders I have quite a few but they are all black and white. I can either email or have copies made and send copies.

ROMAD:: WAYNE VINCENT COOK A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CRESCENT CITY, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 67 ~ 68 OSAN KOREA

Assignments Assigned: II DASC/ 21TASS / B24 5th SF/ MACV/ 24STZ Kontum Provence

VN 67-68 21TASS Kontum 24 STZ MACV/B24 5SF

History Silver Star / Outstanding unit citation / AF Commendation Medal / VN Cross of Gallantry / VN Honor Medal (Dhan Du) / Survived Tet

Comments I was just a radio operator attach to above during Tet 68. We supported the 5 SF and ARVN Rangers and CUDG with MRC-108 Mobile Radio Jeep calling in air strikes as needed. GIB with 4th ID 219 AVA Batt.. don't know if I meet requirements to join. I was a 29350

Pictures / Orders Yes

ROMAD:: TOM COX

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 5 DASF Years CLARK AFB P.I.

Assignments Assigned: I was one of the first members of the 5th DASF out of Clark AB P.I.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DANIEL LEE DAUGHERTY, JR TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NEWARK, OH
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 0 DASF Years
Assignments
History
Comments
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROBERT KENNETH DEBES A1C
Address on file? YES
City and State:: WINTHROP, MK
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 0 DASF Years 19TH TASS
Assignments Assigned: Vietnam, 9th US Infantry, Bin-Tuey AFB, Tamale FACS - 19th TASS
Underfire In the O-1 with my pilot.
History Was a 30454 and was sent to vietnam for the last 10 months of my enlistment.
Comments The 9th Infantry was also part of the mobile riverine force and much of my time was spend with them.
Pictures / Orders I have pictures but I need to have them converted, so this will be at another time.

ROMAD:: TRAVIS J DELANEY TSGT
Address on file? YES
City and State:: LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years MIDDLE EAST IN 124 ASOS

Assignments Assigned: 116th ASOS 03-09 - Present
124 ASOS 11-06 / 03-09
745th SOS 05-08 / 08-08

History

Comments SUGGEST NAME TAGS WITH INFO
Include some kind of name tag which has the units the TACP served with to include dates?

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES P DONALDSON

Address on file? YES

City and State:: GRANBY, CT

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 3 DASF Years 5-66 ~ 12-68 KADENA AB OKINAWA

Assignments Assigned: TDY 181 days to RVN from 507th Direct Air Support Squadron: Flew from CONUS by C-130 with MRC-108 and trailer / MD28 to An Khe, RVN. Assigned to S-3 / Air at 1st BDE / 101ABN in the areas of An Khe, moving by convoy to an area West of Qui Nhon. Later assigned to 2 / 327, 1BDE / 101 after moving by LST to Phan Rang area to provide security for initial airbase construction and finally by another LST to protect an area west of Tui Hoa. In my final month in country, I was sent to DASC ALPHA for communications support for a big fire-power demonstration dog and pony show for Westmoreland in a place called Dzuc Mei (sp?). My call sign with 101st was Ragged Scooper 25M.

History 507th DASS, Shaw AFB. May 65-May66.. I had 5 TDYs while with the 507th (181 days of which were in RVN).

G3 / Air, 7th Inf Div, Camp Casey, ROK... Feb 69-Jun 68... TDY from 3DSAF during 'Pueblo Incident'.

After working on broken airplanes (B-47s and B-52s) on my first hitch and following an 11 month break in service, I enlisted again, this time choosing Ground Radio Maintenance. While at Keesler, I got started parachuting and volunteered for Combat Control Team (CCT) duty. It seems as if the Air Force had other plans as I found myself assigned to the 507th right out of Jump School and the TACP / Direct Air Support stuff started there. The assignment to 3 DASF was waiting for me when I got back from the long TDY to RVN. I'd met other DASF troops while in RVN and jumped at the chance to go to Okinawa... I'll always be glad I did.

It wasn't until Dec '68 that I finally got assigned to Combat Control Team duty where I remained in one assignment or another until retiring from active duty.

Comments My tour in Okinawa with 3 DASF was one of the real highlights of my AF career.

I hope the years have been kind to everybody. I'll try to share this site with whichever of the old DASF guys I can contact. Meanwhile, Keep on keepin' on guys.

Pictures / Orders Robin, you already have a disc of the photos from 3DASF in Okinawa and ROK and a few from RVN. I'd saved them in .jpg format which I now understand may not be optimal for your

use. Somewhere along the line, I seem to recall seeing a reference to .tif (?) format being preferred. Would any of the pictures be of sufficient interest that it'd make sense to scan 'em again as .tif's?
You may share any or all of them.
73, Jim Donaldson

ROMAD:: MATT DORN

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: KENNETH WIATT DOVER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ROGERS, AR

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 64 ~ 65 OKINAWA & OSAN S. KOREA

Assignments Assigned: I was assigned to the 4th DASF start-up at Kadena AB, Okinawa. Served and trained there several months and then was transferred to Osan AB, Korea to start a unit there and trained there for several months and was transferred back to Naha AB in late 1965. No further contact with DASF there, I returned to a Comm unit there at Naha. Appreciated the list of names that was supplied to ROMAD by Sgt Bump, was able to contact some of my old comrades in arms. It was a great time in my life, thanks to those of you I served with.

History

Comments I got out of the Air Force in Naha Okinawa and stayed there as a civilian selling securities for IOS and returned to the US in 1968. Came back to Arkansas and worked for Westinghouse Credit Corp collecting bills and checking floor plans. Went back in the US Army and attended

boot camp again and then started Warrant Officer Flight School for Helicopters and was asked to reup before finishing school and declined that opportunity. From there went back to Korea for a tour with the 7th Div and provided comm for an infantry unit until Mar of 1971 got out of the service and went back to Texas to start Court Reporting College, joined the Army Reserve, completed the 2 year Court Reporting school and found a job in Northwest Arkansas spent 35 years doing that for the State of Arkansas and continued my Army Reserve career getting my 23 years in there and retired from that in 1983 and retired from the State of Arkansas in 2007. Been free ever since. It was great to serve with both forces and enjoyed all the time I spent with both forces. Thanks to all.

Pictures / Orders Sorry don't have any but would like to see some of the pictures from my service there and the guys I served with.

ROMAD:: (ARTHUR) SAYRES DUDLEY A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DALLAS, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1975 ~ 1976 604TH OSAN / CAMP RED CLOUD

Assignments I was part of the 604th DASS at CRC Remote from the 19th TASS at Osan AB Korea. I was actually a radio operator, not a ROMAD. Talked to and worked with those guys all the time. Was on duty in 1976 at the CRC when two army officers were axed to death in the DMZ. We went to full scale alert and within days all the ROMADS deployed to the DMZ along with the 2nd ID and the ROK Soldi;ers. I was on duty at the radio ops center

History Spent 6yrs USAF. Got out as a E-5 SSgt. I grew up in the AF.

Comments

Pictures / Orders None that are applicable.

ROMAD:: JIMMIE LEE DUFFEY A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: TULSA, OK

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-69 ~ 10-70

Assignments camp kasier south korea - 603 dass - 7th infantry 2-17

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LYNDON WAYNE DURHAM A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: KANNAPOLIS, NC

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 64 ~ 65 JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: TDY to Korea and Thailand and there are no records for this.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: BOB EMERY

Address on file? NO

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: RICHARD ENGLAND

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments 129th Assalt Helicopter Co. - 1/68-1/69 RVN - Bulldog 431 - The Iron Butterfly

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: RICHARD ENSBURY A2/C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FAIR OAKS, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? FAC Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 5 DASF Years 66-67 CLARK AB

Assignments Enemy fire - yes L-19 2 hits no injurys - 2 holes inwing
PI Army and Taiwanese army in seato exercises

History Ground Radio Mainentance and air control parachutist went from Clark to Vietnam to combat
controla school then to pope AB

Comments

Pictures / Orders I am the iunknow person in Rose's Jade Bar. 3rd day in the 5th DASF most people didn't
know my name yet

ROMAD:: ROGELIO C FERNANDEZ-ROJO SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: GRANTS, NM

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 5 DASF Years 68 ~ 69

Assignments Assigned: Clark AFB, P.I. ; Mactan, P.I.
Osan, AB, Korea and Camp Long, II Corps, Korea
4th DASF
5th DASF became 605th & 608th TACS under 5th TACC

Stationed with ROK Army, Camp Long, II Corps Korea Daily Live Fire Missions, Nightmare Range

History TDY on Search and Rescue Flight, Gulf of Tonkin.

Search and Rescue for Clark personnel lost on trip to Baguio during typhoon.

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LEE E FISHER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: HARTVILLE, OH

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 21 MIKE

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 9-66 ~ 6-67

Assignments Assigned: Ragged Scooper 21M, Sept 66- June 67. With First Cav (airmobile) Ahn Ke - all over II Corp. LZ Pony, Hammond, English and many other spots. Got to fly back seat in O1 several times with Captain Kautz and Lt. Hohenfelt out of Base camp Ahn Ke. Back at base camp, inhabited "Zoomie Village". Not there too often

History Assignment to the 505 TASS and the 21 TASS out of Na Trang Vietnam.

Comments Best time in the Air Force, finally felt we were doing something worth while. Finished my 4 years there and got out at ETS. Landed, processed out and never looked back for 25 years or so.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: PAUL FOERSTER

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ST. PETERBURG, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 85 ~ 90

Assignments Assigned: Fort Ord cali 85 to 88
Camp Red Cloud Korea 88 to 90

History great 10 years

Comments great times had many juicy girls.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: BUD FOREMAN

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DOUGLAS L FOSTER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State::]SMITHS STATION, AL

Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam: BORON
Flight Number 0 DASF Years 10-68 ~ 10-69
Assignments Assigned: Ragged Scooper 13(?) Phan Thiet
Phan Thiet February 1969 101st Airborne 506 Currehees under enemy fire
History
Comments Enjoyed all
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: GERALD L GEDDINGS A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: JACKSONVILLE, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 7 DASF Years 1964 ~ 1965 507TH DASS + WHEELER AFB HAWAII

Assignments Assigned: USAF, USN
507th DASS 1965-1966

History Did two years AF reserve then rejoined USN in 1973 and retired 1989. Naval Air Crewman,
P-3s.

Comments Went to Vietnam

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROGER LYNN GERBER TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: BLAIRSVILLE, GA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 3-67 ~ 3-68 19 TASS
Assignments Assigned: 19th TASS supported 1st Australian Task Force. Was under enemy fire.
Assigned : Apr 70 to July 74 Det OL42J, 601 DASS Kitzingen Germany did come under enemy fire
History Apr 70 to July 74 Det OL42J, 601DASS Kitzingen Germany
Comments
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: KENNETH W GERO, LTC USAF RET

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ALBUQUERQUE, NM

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 65 ~ 66 OSAN KOREA

Assignments Assigned: I was Operations Officer of the 4th DASF. Lt Col Cyr was the Commander during my tour.

History Enlisted 1951-1953 Aviation Cadet-Pilot Training Class 55 India Nov 53-Feb 55
Pilot Fighter Interceptor F-86D, F-102A; 1955-1966
Air Operation Staff Officer 1966-1968 Tactical Fighter Pilot F-4D 1968-1970
Combat Tour F-4D, 555th TFS Udorn RTAFB, 148 Missions 1970-1971
Executive Officer to Commander 24th Norad Region / Air Division 1971-1973
Retired July 1, 1973 SS, 3 DFCs, 16 AM.

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LIN WILLIAM GERRINGER III A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LENOIR, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 66 ~ 69 JOHNSON AFS JAPAN

Assignments

History 4years active duty USAF
6 years reserve duty USN

Comments Best ever in the service.

Pictures / Orders Pictures: I do have some

ROMAD:: HAROLD G GOLDMAN A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ATWATER, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER ##

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 1964 ~ 1967 OSAN KOREA, YOKOTA JAPAN, NHA TRAN

Assignments Assigned: 2nd DASF, 1st DASF -Osan AB S Korea, 1st DASF Yokata Japan, 19th TASS, ,
DASF-Alfa - Nha Trang AB Vietnam

History Dec 65 had a Motar Attack. During my stay at Nha Trang on assigned work area adjacent to
the 5th Special Forces Hq were sprayed with Agent Orange twice to clear vegetation to set up
tents and store equipment.

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: RAY GOLLEY

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments Fly O1e: DASC-Alpha (1965-1966) & When they spray agent orange over our area.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROBERT SPYKER GRAFFIUS JR. A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: EL DORADO HILLS, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: Never heard of the term DASF until a few days ago

History More coming soon.

Comments Yes; many times while assigned to the Vietnamese Airborne Brigade for several months during the last half of 1965.

Enemy fire: Several times while imbedded with the 1st Battalion of the 173rd Airborne Brigade during the 1st half of 1966.

Pictures / Orders Yes

ROMAD:: VINCE GREEN

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 06-65 ~ 12-65 JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: Assignments while in 1st DASF were a TDY to Nah Trang, VN 08-65 / 12-65 and 06-65 / 07-65 to Chu Chi with 25th Infantry Div

Radio op from 1956 to 1968

Gave it up and got out after 12 years in USAF.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders



ROMAD:: JAMES (SKIP) H GRONSKI

Address on file? YES

City and State:: GARDNERVILLE, NV

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 10-64 ~ 04-66 YOKOTA AFB JAPAN + MOVED TO OSAN A

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments Tom Branham called the other day and suggested Los Vegas. Sounds good to me. It would be great to get together and see you guys. My records indicate that the 1st and 2nd DASF were formed effective 8 Oct 64 at Yokota AFB Japan. Those of us who served in the 1st Shoran Beacon (disbanded in May 64) were the original members. Effective 19 Mar 65, the 2nd DASF redeployed to Osan AFB Korea. I was the only one who made the transfer and carried the company documents to Korea. The other 2nd DASF guys transferred to the 1st DASF, I guess, I don't recall. I was the first to attend Jungle Survival School in May 65. Since we didn't have one at the time, I went to the British school at Changi AFB in Singapore. That's all my brain cell can recall. I'd like to hear from you guys.

Pictures / Orders



ROMAD:: BRIAN GRUBBS

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: HUTTO, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: Fort Hood Romad 1989-1993

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders



ROMAD:: GARY E GRUBBS MSGT
Address on file? YES
City and State:: LARGO, FL
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 4 DASF Years 67 ~ 68 OSAN AB AND ROK DMZ
Assignments Assigned:
History Enlisted in 1962
Retired in 1982
Comments
Pictures / Orders Pictures are in 4th DASF database

ROMAD:: DWAN WADE HALL A1C
Address on file? YES
City and State:: JUNEAU, AK
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 41
Flight Number 0 DASF Years ROK 03-68 ~ 03-69
Assignments Assigned: Fly O1e: Ragged Scooper 41, Some time in back seat of O1e Bird Dog, stationed TDY out of Nha Trang with ROK's Division HQ outside Qui Nhon and 1st Reg outside Phu Cat airbase March 1968 through March 1969.
Enemy fire: Summer 1968. Yes, When on operation with ROK. Closest round hit FM radio behind my head in my M151 Jeep.
Some of the best times I had in the 7 1/2 years of active duty
History
Comments
Pictures / Orders Lots of pictures

ROMAD:: FRANCIS W HALL MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: PEARL CITY, HI

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 64 ~ 68 TOKOTA / JOHNSON AB JAPAN

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Hi!
My name's Frank Hall (RO) and I was with the 1st DASF from Aug 1964 to Aug 1968 and Yes it's time for a reunion. I searched the web all these years and could not find anything on the DASFs. It looks like we were a forgotten group. What counts is knowing what and how we did it. This brings back so many good memories of all the guys and the places we were at.

Nough for now, I will have more later.

Robin, I have to check my old records and see if I have any inputs on names of the 1st & 2nd DASF at Yokota.

Thanks for this website.
Frank Hall, MSgt USAF Retired

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LAWRENCE G HAMM

Address on file? YES

City and State:: EL CAJON, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES HARDY HANKINS A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: AMITY, OR

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: COBRE / RAKE

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1969~1970 19 TASS

Assignments came under fire - assigned to royal thailand army 1st brigade + 25 infantry chi chi

History

Comments sustained a concussion, broken ankle, sent home to recoop, then back for another tour. later developed seizures for tbi, did not receive benefits for almost 50 years. must say they are treating mr well now

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES HARDY A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: AMITY, OR

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: COBRA / RAKE

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 69~70 19 TASS

Assignments 19 tass
Royal thailand army 1st brigade
Royal thailand army 1st brigade 25 infantry Cui Chi

History Sustained a concussion , broken ankle, sent home to recoop then cam back for another tour. Later developed seizures for TBI, did not receive benefits for almost 50 years. Must say they are treating me well now.

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: GARY N HAUGE SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MERRITT ISLAND, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: SNUFFY 34

Flight Number 7 DASF Years 620 TCS DET 2 1965-1968

Assignments Assigned: 11th BDE, Duc Pho RVN 1968 on TDY
2 inf Div 1968 during USS Pueblo capture - Spent 96 days at the DMZ, Det 2 - 620th TCS
1969-1970 Pleiku RVN

History 20 years of fun and games. Wouldnt have it any other way.

Comments Mortar attacks while in country and rocket landing next to empty C-141 on my way out of
country. That echo through that was scary. Enemy fire: 11th BDE, Duc Pho RVN 1968 on
TDY , DMZ area in Korea during USS Pueblo capture, 1968 & Det 2 620TCS Pleiku RVN ,1969
PCS

Pictures / Orders Have photos and records but havent seen them in years.

ROMAD:: JACK L HAYES

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHARLIE E HEIDAL

Address on file? YES

City and State:: POWAY, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 86 ~ 2006

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments Unit in: TOO MANY TO LIST

Years in unit: 1986-2006

Served where: US-ROK

Which War: MIDDLE EAST TO PRESENT.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DONALD F HINES

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NORTH EASTON, MA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 3 DASF Years 8-68 ~ 8-68 OKINAWA

Assignments Assigned: 507 DASS, 3rd DASF, 604 DASS

History Pretty much the same as other TACP's of that era, Lackland, Keesler, Ft Benning, theb a DASS. Not always fun but well worth th experience.

Comments Always enjoyed working as a TACP mrmber

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: MICKEY G HORMANN

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: DES MOINES, IA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 82 ~ 87 FORT HOOD, FREIDBERG, GERMANY

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: BARRY L HOSKINS A1C

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: BATH, PA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? FAC Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: PYTHON 13

Flight Number 5 DASF Years JUL 1964 THRU JAN 1966

Assignments Jul 1964 thru Jan 1966 - Clark A.B. P.I.- 173rd Airborne Brgd501&502 An Austrian Airborne

History

Comments Iron triangle with Tom Cox - Over-all good experience

Pictures / Orders yes but not at this time

ROMAD:: JAMES RUSSELL HOUGH JR CHMSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MIMS, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: Fly O1e: I was not a ROMAD or FAC but a Ground Radio Maintenance Supervisor of a shop in Sembach AB and Lindsay AS-Weisbaden Germany. We had six MRC-107 Jeeps, 3 TSW-7 Mobile Control Towers, 30 KWM-2A Transceivers and 30 30L-1 Linear (Collins). We deployed with NATO to all of Europe and North Africa. We were involved in the clearing of the Suez Canal of ordnance and had units at Cairo, Port Said and Suez City. We were in

Greece for Alexander Express and Norway for exercises there.

Enemy fire: No. In 1958-1959 I flew as a Morse Intercept Radio Operator with AF Security Service off Russia and China from the North Pole to the Taiwan Straits. We were strafed a few times by the Russians but that was just harassment or they could have easily taken us down...but we didn't know that at the time. We had a heat seeking rocket fired at us by the Chinese but it must have been defective because it obviously didn't hit us or I wouldn't be here.

History Comments: As I said, I wasn't a ROMAD or FAC so if I don't belong on this website, please remove me. I just enjoy being around guys who had the MRC jeeps and knew the radio equipment on them. I served 31 years and got out a CMSgt. Been working as a contractor to NASA at Kennedy Space Center for over 30 years. Will be 80 very soon. I am A MARS operator (since 1963) and work a MARS net most nights as AFA4BT. Ham call is W5ZXO.

Thanks for letting me talk to you.

Comments Military Comments:
Philippines- 1/1/57-7-15-57
Yokota AB-7-30-59
Fuchu AS-7-15-60
Johnson AB (First Mobile Comm. Gp.)1960-1962
Adair AFS,Or.;62-65
Goose Bay AB-65-65
Thule AB Greenland, 65-66
Kadena AB; 66-69
Grand Forks AFB-69-70
Keesler AFB-70-71
Eglin AFB 71-73
Sembac AF-73-73
Lindsay AS,Weisbaden 73-75
Patrick AFB-75-79
Kadena AB-79-85
MacDill AFB-85-1/1/86
Retired.

Kennedy Space Center as Electro Magnetic Laboratory Technician, Telemetry Technician at Cape Canaveral AFS

Pictures / Orders Not immediately

ROMAD:: CHARLE MICHEL HUMPHREY SMSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: YORKTOWN, VA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 12-67 ~ 12-68 21 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 21st TASS (Nha Trang AB RVN), 14SOW, 7AF (PACAF)
Sub Assigned to the Republic of Korea Tiger Division, CAV Regiment, Camp Thunderbolt, Phu Phong, Binh Dinh Province, Republic of Vietnam. December 17th, 1967 thru Dec16th 1968.
As a Pack Rat, AFSC 304X4. Rank Sgt(E-4)USAF
14 Special Operations Wing, 14th Air Force. PACAF
ROK Tiger Division. Cav Regiment.

Enemy Fire: Yes. Central Highlands and the entire Go Boy Plans East of Phu Cat Air Base.

This would be hill 722 approximately. Korea Tiger Division Operation Meng Ho 9 or 11. Summer of 1968. Documented in USAF Commendation Medal Award. On file. Major attack and suppression of large force of NVA regulars and irregular VC. Day and night mission lasting approximately 72 hours utilizing many types of aircraft and ordnance delivery profiles.

History Career Span:Mar 1965 thru July 1988.Initial Cadre force converted from 304X4 in August 1977.First ROMAD duty station 21TASS, Shaw AFB, SC(August 77-July 79). 2nd assignment:23TASS, Davis Monthan AFB, Tuscon, AZ(July 79-July 80). 3rd assignment: 601 TASS, Sembach AB, Germany(July 80-April 83). 4th assignment: HQ USAF, Ramstien AB, Germany(April 83-July 84). 5th and final assignment: HQ Tactical Air Command, Langley AFB,VA(July 84-July 88). All duties in these 5 assignments were as a ROMAD at the ranks of SSgt thru MSgt. Ground Radio Repairman. Both heavy and light communications repair. Qualified to the 7 level status. Assignment to 764th ACW Radar Sq. St Albans, VT (Mar 66-Nov 68). Maintenance Control Technician, 2019th Comm Sq, Griffiss AFB, NY (Mar 72-Dec73). 1836 EIS, Wiesbaden AB, Germany (Dec 73-Dec74) Team Chief in charge of repair, replacement and upgrade of European Air Traffic Control air to ground communications equipment. Various assignments into Electronic Maintenance Control Offices in the Tactical Air Command Control System at Shaw AFB, SC (Jan 75-Aug77). During these assignments advance from a maintenance environment to a management environment. The best pre-career training I could ever have.

Comments I was blessed at having volunteered for an received an assignment to Vietnam. That is the single action that led to an force career as a ROMAD. From that event I was able to experience the Air Force from a maintenance and operation perspective that few enlisted personnel are afforded the opportunity to do. Having that experience allowed me perform every available job the career had to offer me at every level available during my time in service. What I did could literally fill a book about my career but, suffice it to say that I was more than pleased to have served and served with, the finest personnel the AF has to offer this great nation. I will never forget where that career started and how it ended. There is no way to measure it, except to say thank you.

Career Span:Mar 1965 thru July 1988.Initial Cadre force converted from 304X4 in August 1977.First ROMAD duty station 21TASS, Shaw AFB, SC(August 77-July 79). 2nd assignment:23TASS, Davis Monthan AFB, Tuscon, AZ(July 79-July 80). 3rd assignment: 601 TASS, Sembach AB, Germany(July 80-April 83). 4th assignment: HQ USAF, Ramstien AB, Germany(April 83-July 84). 5th and final assignment: HQ Tactical Air Command, Langley AFB,VA(July 84-July 88). All duties in these 5 assignments were as a ROMAD at the ranks of SSgt thru MSgt.

Pictures / Orders PIX are on the web now. you already have them and thanks for hosting them.

ROMAD:: STEVE O HUNTER

Address on file? YES

City and State:: HIGH POINT, NC

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 **DASF Years** 70 ~ 71 **AN KAE VIETNAM**

Assignments Assigned: I was a US Army enlisted, assigned to the US Air Force FAC unit in An Kae, Vietnam. The FAC unit operated from the US Army base in An Kae. I flew missions everyday with Lt. Colonel Goddard for 8 months. Your suggestions of resources to try and locate members of this US Air Force FAC unit serving in An Kae during the 1970-71 time frame would be greatly appreciated. I was so privileged to serve with such a highly professional unit of US Air Force veterans.

History

Comments I just regret not keeping in contact with these very special individuals after we left Vietnam. Your help would be greatly appreciated. The reunion sounds like a great idea. I was a us army spec 5 assigned to usaf fac unit in An Kae Vietnam. Commanded by Col Goddard. Major Hastings assigned to the unit also. Activities included marking tagret in the central highlands and for a short period in Cambodia. My activities including flying missions daily with Col Goddard or Major Hastings and documenting results of missions upon compeltion. Weekly I distributed "kack wheels" (decoders) to 4th Army command to enable communications between the Army and the Air Force. I have numerous pictures on slides from the missions that I would need to convert to digital.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES ALAN HURST

Address on file? YES

City and State:: OWENSBORO, KY

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 88 ~ 91

Assignments Assigned: Det 5 507th TAIRCW, Fort Campbell , 1988 - 1991

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders Hulbert Field Training Photo (Group)

ROMAD:: HARRY HYTER

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LAS VEGAS, NV

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: EDWARD JANUS

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHARLIE SCOTT JOHNSON

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ASHEVILLE, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? Romad Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-67 ~ 8-68 RVN

Assignments Assigned: TDY to 1st Air Cav @ An Khe, LZ's Two Bits, English & Uplift also @ MAC-V Pleiku II DASC & Adv Team 38 @ Bao Loc

Everywhere I was at, rockets, mortars, small arms fire, went thru TET '68 at Pleiku w/ II DASC & MAC-V. Attacked numerous times at Bao Loc by sappers, rocket teams B-40's & small arms fire

Ragged Scooper but can't remember the numbers, Carbon Outlaw @ Pleiku and Carbon Outlaw 41 @ Bao Loc

History I would have made a career except for the RIF in '81 and having to be a baby sitter for my junior airmen who couldn't make it to appointments. I enjoyed Patrick AFB, Ramey AFB, Langley & Elmendorf

Comments Interesting and instructive, I found I loved conflict and later found I hated peacetime

Pictures / Orders No

ROMAD:: ED J JOHNSON

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: KEN KIMBROUGH

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: MARIETTE, GA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-65 ~ 8-66 619 TCS DET 9

Assignments Assigned: Det. 9, 619th TCS - Ban Me Thuot, RVN Aug. 1965 - Aug. 1966
Big Eye Task Force, Ubon, Thailand - Jan. 1967-June 1967
963rd AEW&C Sq., McClellan AFB,
940th MAW (Reserves), Travis AFB

History

Comments "Pyramid 36" Webmaster
505th TCG Website, Det. 9, 619th TCS, 1965-66
Big Eye Task Force, 1966

<http://www.squawk-flash.org>

Pictures / Orders Pictures are on 505th TCG website at www.squawk-flash.org

ROMAD:: STEVEN KINGSBURY

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: MARIETTA, GA

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-65 ~ 8-66 619 TCS DET 9

Assignments Assigned: Det. 9, 619th TCS - Ban Me Thuot, RVN Aug. 1965 - Aug. 1966
Big Eye Task Force, Ubon, Thailand - Jan. 1967-June 1967
963rd AEW&C Sq., McClellan AFB,
940th MAW (Reserves), Travis AFB

History Miss the AF from time to time, usually after a drink or two. Don't drink much anymore.

Comments I was a SrA JTAC currently in Northern Iraq supporting the 172 STRYKER BDE Combat Team. 15 Apr 06

Pictures / Orders Pictures are on the 505th TCG website at www.squawk-flash.org

ROMAD:: MAXIE DALE KIRKLAND A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ORMOND BEACH, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: TRAIL CONTROL

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 20 TASS

Assignments Assigned: I got to fly in O2s occasionally out of Hue Citadel!
Enemy fire: Yes! MACV compound Hue Citadel.
1st ARVN Division Headquarters Hue Citadel.
20th TASS Danang.

History Military comments: War is hell! Warriors should not be judged for atrocities, because everything in war is an atrocity! Welcome home brothers and sisters and may God Bless you all!

Comments Romad Comments: The Air Force FACs were all great pilots and great friends! The bad times were when we couldn't provide air support in time and suffered casualties. The good times were when I worked in the MARS station and connected soldiers with their loved ones. I also would relieve door gunners on Black Cat helicopters on my days off.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LEO JOSEPH KOLLEY A1C

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: WINTER HAVEN, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGER SCOOPER 8

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments 21st TASS, RVN, assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Detachment B-50 (Project Omega)

Oct 67 - Oct 68
Ragged Scooper 08
5th Special Forces Group
Detachment B-50

History

Comments Did you ever experience enemy fire?:
Yes, Plei Djereng and Kontum.
5th Special Forces Group
Detachment B-50

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ADAM JOHN KOVALSKI SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NANTICOKE, PA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 8-72 ~ 8-74 WHEELER AFB HI

Assignments Assigned: 18 AUG 1972 to 2 Jan 1974, 22nd TASS at Wheeler AFB

History A real hodge podge. Begin with DIA USAF, first 4 years, 1833rd EI squadron as installer, 1 year, and 15 months as ROMAD (30474)with 22nd TASS.

Comments Learned and matured among some serious professionals and have always valued the experience.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ANTONIE (TONY) A KRISTOL TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CAVE JUNCTION, OR

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 11-65 ~ 11-66 OSAN KOREA

Assignments Assigned: 4th DASF/Nov 65-Nov 66, Osan AB, ROK; 3rd DASF/Nov 66-Oct 68, Kadena AB, Okinawa; 604th DASS/Oct 68-Oct 69, Wheeler AFB, Hawaii; 19th TASS/Sep 70-Oct 70, Bien Hoa AB, RVN; 21st TASS Oct 70-Sep 71, Cam Rhan Bay, RVN, ; 682nd DASS/Nov 78-Dec 80, Shaw AFB, SC. 2nd Inf Div Advance Combat Training Academy (Student) Camp Sitman ROK - 1966 DASC @ Camp Red Cloud, ROK during "Pueblo Crisis" 1968 5th SF US Army - Nha Trang & Ba Me Thuot - RVN 1970-71 9th Inf Div, ROK - Ninh Hoa, RVN 1971 POW releases, Gia Lam, North VN, 1st MOB - Feb/Mar 1973 Evacuation of Saigon, April/May 1975 attachd to USMC 2nd Inf Div Advance Combat Training Academy (Student) Camp Sitman ROK - 1966 DASC @ Camp Red Cloud, ROK during "Pueblo Crisis" 1968 5th SF US Army - Nha Trang & Ba Me Thuot - RVN 1970-71 9th Inf Div, ROK - Ninh Hoa, RVN 1971. POW releases, Gia Lam, North VN, 1st MOB - Feb/Mar 1973 Evacuation of Saigon, April/May 1975 attachd to USMC

Enemy Fire: yes, several field deployments w/Koreans. Also at Ninh Hoa (rockets and mortars). Evacuation of Saigon.

History

Comments

Hi,
I googled my name the other day and found much more than I expected. My name is Tony Kristol and I expected to find some information about me when I was in the 1st Mob. I did, but I also ran across the DASF site, which was a total surprise.

I spent a lot of my AF career in TACP's, DASC's, TASS's etc. 4th DASF ('65-'66) (2nd DASF was located in the same compound and we lived in the same barracks and worked the same missions so I am familiar with it too.) 3rd DASF (66-68), 604th DASS (68-69) (formerly 7th DASF), 19th TASS ('70) for two short months, 21st TASS (70-71) (NCOIC 5th SF ALO which included Nha Trang and Ba Me Thuot (East Field) and when SF was deployed back to CONUS, NCOIC ROK 9th Inf Div ALO at Ninh Hoa.) Went to 1st MOB from '71 to '75 and then back into TAC with the 682nd DASC at Shaw AFB in support of the 82nd Abn at Pope.

I was no longer on jump status and not enjoying my AF career. The AF had abandoned all the 293's that had served them so faithfully as ROMADS. I tried to get into Special Operations at Hurlbert but was turned down, volunteered for EOD (they were looking for Senior NCO's to cross train but wanted me to extend my enlistment for 4 years which I didn't want to do. By then I was a MSgt, age 42, so I retired.

Pictures / Orders

I can offer you the following:

Names of some of the troops assigned to the 4th and 2nd DASF (the names you have listed under 2nd DASF on your site are actually almost a complete roster of the 3rd DASF.)

Pictures of some of those personnel and a Newspaper article from the base newspaper about myself, A2C Gambee from the 2nd DASF and BG Pinkham Smith.

Please let me know if you want any of this. Also, if you have a web address of Jim Donaldson could you send it to me? We put in a lot of time in different places together and I would like to get in touch.

ROMAD:: RICHARD S LANGDON SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: HIGHLAND, CA

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 23 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 23rd Tass Bergstrom AFB, Tx 1978/79
601 OL-L Goepingon, Germany 1979/81

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: PAUL LEE A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MONTGTOMERY, AL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: ISSUE, RAKE, RUSTIC

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 19TH TASS BIEN HOA

Assignments Assigned: Issue 30 - #rd Brigade 25th Inf, Issue Control - 25th Inf Div (Cu Chi), Rustic Alpha - Nui Ba Den, Rake 20 - 2nd Brigade RTAVF, Rake Control - RTAVF Bearcat

Enemy fire: Had to defend the perimeter during enemy attack on Nui Ba Den around Jun 1970. Got to experience some friendly fire also when too close to an air strike and a M82 nose fuse from a 500 lb bomb dropped from a F-100 went through the grill of a jeep next to my radio jeep.

RTAVF - Royal Thai Army Volunteer Force (Bearcat)

History The real Air Force was overseas and that's where I preferred to be. Retired in 1993 as a Computer / Communications Superintendent.

Comments Had to drive the flight line taxi around Bien Hoa for a month waiting for a security clerance before I deployed. Worked 57 straight hours on the radio on Nui Bad Den putting an Arclight mission into Cambodia. 2nd radio operator had rotated and replacement wasn't in yet.

Pictures / Orders YES

ROMAD:: GARY W LOHR

Address on file? YES

City and State:: VICTOR, NY

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 8-69 ~ 8-70 21 TASS

Assignments Assigned: May-July '69 - Ground Radio School - Kessler AFB
Other units: Aug' 69-Aug '70 - 21 TASS assigned to ROK Tiger Division, Qui Nhon, call sign TUM. We had the Div, outposts at Miami Beach, Cav Regiment, Phu Cat AFB.

History

Comments Radio Op at Tiger Town 1 May 69

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: BOBBY WAYNE MACK MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FORT WALTON BEACH, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1-67 ~ 12-67 21 ST TASS

Assignments Assigned: 1st Cavalry LZ Two Bits, An Loa Valley (supporting 101st) 1st Cavalry, Ragged Scooper 20 and 20A, 3rd ID, Gertie Gravel and Binary 23rd TASS Bergstrom AFB, TX NCOIC, 27530 Field School (TAC) AGOS, Hurlburt Field, FL

History I was a 304X4 and enjoyed the electronics work. After Vietnam and a tour with the 1st Cav TACP, I was very bored in a radio maintenance shop. I got assigned to a shop with the Photo Mapping Wing at Forbes AFB, Kansas, but soon wrangled a tour in West Germany with the 3rd ID. After Germany, I was sent to the big TACP at Bergstrom where I was NCOIC and later 602nd Wing Stan_Eval. I was part of the staff study that led to the creation of the 275 career field and in 1977 was picked to head up the TAC Field Training School for 27530s at AGOS. I was the TAC contact for the moving of the 3-level school from Keesler to Hurlburt. I retired at Hurlburt November 1982. I currently teach part time at Northwest Florida State College.

Comments Loved it!!!

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: GENE FRANCIS MCCLUSKEY SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CUSTER, SD

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 64 ~ 65 507TH DASS SHAW AFB

Assignments Assigned: Military Units: PCS to 2nd Inf Div TACP Ft. Benning, 64-65 (After 1 JULY 65 we became the 1st Cav Air Mobile)

History Military Comments: 58-64 USAFSS, 64-65 2ID Ft. Benning TACP, 71-84 USAFRES

Comments Romad Comments: All was good.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: C;UDE DEMMOS MCDONALD A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LIBERTYLAKE, WA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 7-65 ~ 8-66

Assignments Osam AB Korea / initially worked with Capt. Blatter until TDY to RVN. Assigned to DASC Alpha Nha Trang 10-65 ~ 03-66

History

Comments 8 years AF Returned to Sheppard AFB in TX and finished my enlistment - Discharged 02-69 as SSgt.

Pictures / Orders House Fire took everything

ROMAD:: RICHARD ARTHUR MCDURFEE JR. A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: VERGENNES, VT

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: TUM

Flight Number 2 DASF Years DASF JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: Fly O1e: Arrived VN Feb. 1970 Departed Nov. 1970 early DEROS due to imbalance of AFSC in country Flew in 01e Bird Dog and 02 Skymaster Assigned to The ROK Tiger Division near Qui Nhon

Enemy fire: Twice once in October on way to Pleiku for convoy coverage up through An Khe Pass. We took mortar fire prior to going up the pass from a small hamlet. Couldn't get clearance for air support advised ROK commander and the ROKs took care of it with two tanks and a couple APCs One night in Sept after my return from Sydney on R&R we took two hits near our hootch area/parade-bivouac location with 122mm rockets that were considered meant for the Army Helicopter Base adjoining our Div Hdqtrs Everyone knew you didn't invoke the wrath of the ROK Anyway a piece of Shrapnel struck the side of the ROMADs hootch leaving a foot size gaping hole in the concrete block wall.

History I loved the Air Force even if they sent me not only to Vietnam but put me with one of the fiercest fighting group and here I am trained for one day on the M-16 in basic training. Somewhere I pissed in somebody's Corn Flakes and I was paying for it. Military Units: ROK Tiger Division. Military Comments: I loved the Air Force even if they sent me not only to Vietnam but put me with one of the fiercest fighting group and here I am trained for one day on the M-16 in basic training. Somewhere I pissed in somebody's Corn Flakes and I was paying for it.

Comments Good times were had by all at TUM control great camaraderie with the flight officers and RO's along with our AGE guy Larry Stacey as was our technician for radio TSGT Jim Stewart We attempted to make the largest omelet by covering the pool table with plastic and scrambled eggs/ham and cheese Don't think we met our goal but we sure killed off a case of eggs and serious amount of ham and cheese. Bad times no doubt the temps, the humidity and most of MONSOON rains.

Pictures / Orders Yes I have photos, slides and some movie footage I have a fantastic photo of the core four group Gary Lohr, Jim Stewart, Larry Stacey and myself taken at our Miami Beach Detachment all dressed for battle (yuk yuk) !

ROMAD:: CLYDE F MERRICK

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LAS VEGAS, NV

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 65 ~ 66 JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: No, afsc was 30450,microwave. Equipment never came, commander said he could not send me with my afsc.

1st DASF, oct 1965 to oct 1966, yokota afb.

History Keesler AFB 1963, 326 Air Division at Wheeler Hawaii 1964, then 1st dasf at yokota. Went to jungle survival with Goldman. I knew Glen Barker, Emery, Golley, Maj Blair.

Comments My supervisor, Sgt George Imai let me work on the hf, vhf, and uhf equipment, even tho it was out of my AFSC. Kept me sane for the year I was there.

Pictures / Orders yes, I just ran extra copies for the Ft. Worth event, and I still have the traditional going away gift, the kimshi bucket, signed by the whole gang.

ROMAD:: ROBIN MICHAEL A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: TRYON, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 2 ALPHA

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 65 ~ 67 4TH DASF - 602ND DASS

Assignments Assigned: to the 4th DASF at Osan Korea and to the Korean Tiger Division. Went to the DMZ with the Tiger Division and later on to Clark AB Jungle Survival School then to Qui Nhon, Vietnam to rejoin the Korean Tiger Division. Later on returned to Osan to continue on the Korean DMZ till returning to the USA and Bergstrom AFB Austin TX.

History Lackland AFB Basic Training
Keesler AFB Ground Radio, Light Ground Radio, Radar Schools
Dauphin Island AFS (ADC) Ground Radio, Radar
Osan AB Korea, 4th Direct Air Support Flight - formation and 1 full year
Bergstrom AFB Austin TX, 602 Direct Air Support Sqdn.
Released with 4yr + 8 mos active duty
Honorable Discharge.

Comments Web Master also under I have a extended sub web page under the 4th DASF.

For the HAM out there I am KV4AL.

Pictures / Orders Large number on line under 4th DASF page

ROMAD:: GERRALD LEE MITCHELL SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FAIRBORN, OH

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 6 DASF Years 66 ~ 68 MISAWA AB JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: to Misawa, made multiple TDYs to Korea, Philippines, Hawaii, one short stay in Vietnam. Never acted as ROMAD or FAG or FAC.
History Retired after 20 years in.
Comments Career field was Crypto Maintenance 306
Pictures / Orders Am looking

ROMAD:: WILLIAM MITCHELTREE

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 4-68 ~ 4-69 19 TASS

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments FAC in the 19th TASS working out of Hon Quan (An Loc) from Apr. 68 to Apr. 69.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROBERT F MORIARTY

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DENVER, CO

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ARTHUR MARTIN MORRIS A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SARASOTA, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: JADE CONTROL

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 19TH TASS - 5-67 ~ 12-67

Assignments Assigned: Vung Tau - Fly O1e: Flew as observer on occasion. majority ground.

Enemy fire: Yes. Nui Dat with First Australian Task Force.
Military Units: First Australian Task Force.

History I had the honor of serving under the command of Wing Commander Anthony Powell RAAF.
Finest officer I ever worked for.

Comments Worked with fantastic people. Both officers and enlisted. really didn't like being shot at.
Rocket attacks were the worst.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: WESLEY V MORRIS

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 25 FS / DOJ ACTIVE DUTY

Assignments Assigned: I'm a TACP (Tactical Air Control Party) ETAC (Enlisted Tactical Air Controller)
BALO Trainer (Battalion Air Liaison Officer) stationed at Osan ROK

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES E MORRISON SMSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MAPLETON, IL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: PRIOR SERVICE ARMY (11E40) 1970-72 USAF TACP 1982-07 169TH AIR SUPPORT SQUAD. 182ND ASOC PEORIA, ILL

History DEPLOYMENTS - KOREA, THIALAND, BOSNIA, GERMANY, KUWAIT, IRAQ, AFGANISTAN AND VARIOUS STATESIDE EXERCISES

Comments GREAT UNITS SERVED AS SUPERINTENDENT

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JOHN JAMES MULLANEY A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: PONTE VEDRA BEACH, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 72 MIKE

Flight Number 4 DASF Years 05-65 ~ 05-66

Assignments Assigned: TDY QUI NHON, VIET NAM OCT 25, 1965 FOR 120 DAYS from Osan AB Korea

Flew in the O1E Lil Brenner I was Ragged Scooper 72 mike with the 2nd regiment ROK Tiger division.

Took part in 2 search assault operations with a battalion of ROK Tiger division troops. One assault was with US Marine helicopters for insertion. This was a large air assault.

History Trained with with US Army units in South Korea.

Comments Loved Korea. Enjoyed the training near the DMZ directing F105 mock air strikes. Hated Vietnam - Living off C rations was no fun.

Pictures / Orders I have photos. Let me know how to upload them.

ROMAD:: HENRY SCOTT MURPHY A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NICEVILLE, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 603 DASS - OSAN AB KOREA

Assignments Assigned: 603rd DASS - Osan AB S. Korea 1-69 ~ 12-70

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: WILLIAM A MURPHY

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SAN ANGELO, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: Aug '69-summer '73: Det 41, 601st Dir Air Sup Sq, Bonames AAF (outskirts of Frankfurt a/M Germany). '73- Jul '76: 729th Tac Air Cont Sq, Macdill AFB FL.

History Varied! AFCS Comm technician, ROMAD, then USAF Security Service (Intel) technician, then AFOSI Technical Special Agent. 21 years of FUN!

Comments Sep-Oct '70 Operation Fig Hill, operated as one-man ALCE, in Amman Jordan for international humanitarian mission with Army MASH and AF Air Transportable Hospital. Only shot at once-by PLO in Jordan!

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: TOM NEMCONSKY A2C

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RASH

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 69 ~ 70 19 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 19th TASS 1st Cav Phouc Vinh 69-70

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JERRY THOMAS NEWSOM A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: BAKERSFIELD, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years KADENA AND OSAN AFB

Assignments Assigned: DASF Info: 2nd & 3rd DASF Oct 65 Kadena Okinawa designated 4th but remained 2nd March 65 to Jan 66 Osan AFB

Enemy fire: No not in AF Yes was in Army 58 to 61. 7th Inf Div Korea, DMG. Army did simulated air strikes in Korea with 1st Cav.

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I was in the USAF DASF.s in the Air Force stationed at Osan AFB in 1965.

We started out at Kadena AFB in Okinawa as the 2nd and 3rd DASF units at Kadena. I went thru the 173rd Airborne Jump Master School just before they were sent to Vietnam. They moved parts of both DASF's to Korea and were then designated the 4th DASF at Osan.

If I remember right we were at Kadena for about 6 months before we were split into the 4th DASF and rotated to Korea as a TDY Unit.

We were there 6 months before our radio jeeps were finally received. During that time we had other mobile communication radio's. We participated in exercises with both F-105 pilots located in South Korea and Okinawa calling in exercise's for simulated air strikes up by the DMZ. If I remember right we participated in simulated air strikes with the 1st Cav.

I acted as Jump Master for our F-105 Pilots so they could keep up with their requirements for jump pay. I had previously had been in the Army and in Korea previously 1959-1960 with the 7th Inf Division.

I was sent from the 101st Airborne Division (FT. Campbell Ky.) to the 7th Inf Division.

Just prior to the 4th DASF was sent to Vietnam, each person was given the Gamma Globulin vaccine to prevent Hepatitis. 1 out of a 1000 would contract hepatitis from the serum since it was a live vaccine. I contracted Hepatitis and was not allowed to rotate with my unit to Vietnam. If I remember right they were sent to Da Nang..

We had radio repairmen, airmen who operated with the Officers (F105 pilots) in calling air strikes and also weather men. We were a small group I don't really remember the number but

we all fit in 1 Quonset hut located just across from the golf course on Osan AFB. The officers would fly back to Kadena once or twice a month as their families were still in Kadena. We were considered TDY personnel.

I drew jump pay when I was in Kadena and also Osan AFB. I was the only airborne qualified enlisted man in my unit but most of the officers were airborne qualified. I will have to look but I may have some photo's of our unit but I only remember a few of the men's names.

If I remember we had 7 or 8 F105 pilots and about 20 or 30 enlisted men.

History

Comments Best unit I had ever been assigned to. In Okinawa I had been in the 101st airborne in the army before I joined the AF. I was able to go through Jump Master with the 173rd before they rotated to Vietnam. I maintained my jump status during my stint with the DASF units. Also was able to jump the pilots assigned to the DASF unit I was in at Osan AFB Korea.

Military Comments: I was in Korea and our DASF was rotating to Vietnam. I received the GG shot and 3 days later I was in the hospital with Hepatitis. Was not allowed to rotate with my unit which pissed me off. I was rotated back to the states and was told I would not be able to rotate to viet nam to join my unit. So I got out of the AF.

Pictures / Orders Some

ROMAD:: OWEN K NISHIMURA A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MILILANI, HI

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 7 **DASF Years** 6-64 ~ 8-66 **WHEELER AFB HAWAII**

Assignments Assigned: From 10-63 / 06-64, 689 Radar Sqd, Mt Hebo AFS Oregon
From 06-64 / 08-66 7th DASF, Wheeler AFB HI
From 12-65 / 06-66, assigned with the 3rd Brigade, 25th Inf Dev, Pleiku VN

History Enlisted in the Air National guard from 02-82 / 12-2004
Came under fire during operation Paul Revere in the central highlands. Part of the 7th DASF and later on part of the group of FAC / ROMADS at Pleiku

Comments Part of the 7th DASF and later on part of the group of FAC/ROMADS at Pleiku.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JIM D NOTHSTEIN

Address on file? YES

City and State:: HOHENWALD, TN

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ALLEN M O'REAR A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CANTON, MI

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 507TH DAS 66 ~ 69

Assignments Assigned: Flight Info: 507th DAS Shaw AFB Sumpter SC

Fly O1e: O2's DaNang VN Apr - Oct '68 6 month TDY

Enemy fire: Ground fire while on the ride from Hue landing strip to Camp Rodrigues, also numerous rocket attacks at Camp Rodrigues, Da Nang, Dong Ha and while flying in and out of the Valley.

Military Units: Attached to the 82nd at Ft Bragg 66-67, and in VN in 68

History After Basic at Lackland, off to Ft Benning for Jump School, then onto Keesler for 30434 training. After Keesler I was PCS W/O PCA to Ft Bragg with the 82nd. Home station was 507th DAS Shaw. Deployed with the 82nd to VN Apr - OCT '68 Flew right seat in O2's with some great FAC's. Maj Coyle, Capt. Langlois, Lt Burk.

Comments Always a good time, out on MANY operations with the 82nd on Ft Bragg the 18 months I was with them state side. Great guys in our shop both on Bragg and on Shaw!

Pictures / Orders I do have so pictures I can share later.

ROMAD:: ROBERT OLIVER ODEN MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam: CHOWDER 11
Flight Number 0 DASF Years 70 ~ 81
Assignments Assigned: Flight Info: Illesheim Germany and Sembach AB, Germany
Assignments: Back Seat time in OV10 in Germany
Other units: 1 BDE, 1st AD, 1/13 Inf BTN
History Military comments: 10 years total ROMAD time
Comments Romad Comments: All good times
Pictures / Orders Pictures: MRC 107, OV-10 etc

ROMAD:: OLAF JOHN OSMUNDSON
Address on file? YES
City and State:: MCGAHEYSVILLE, VA
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 3 DASF Years 2-66 ~ 8-67 3 DASF
Assignments Assigned: Only served in Okinawa. On arrival my name went to the top of the list, but I was never sent to Nam.
History Served 4 years enlisted as ground radio equipment repairman. Went to jump school after training at Keesler AFB. After jump school went to Shaw AFB, then Fort Cambell, then Okinawa.
Comments Also attached to 101st Airborne Fort Cambell (out of Shaw AFB) prior to assignemnt to 3rd DASF. Proud of the airmen and time served. Would like very much to make contact with others.
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LAWRENCE D PACKARD A1C
Address on file? YES
City and State:: WINTER HAVEN, FL
Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: PAWNEE TARGET 30 & 40

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 19 TASS

Assignments Assigned: JANUARY 1968 TO FEBRUARY 1968 - ASSIGNED TO MACV ADV TEAM 89 TOWN OF BA RIA, PHOCU TUY; FEBRUARY 1968 TO JANUARY 1969 MACV ADV TEAM 87, XUAN LOC. SUPPORTED THE ARVN 18TH DIVISION. PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR 11TH ARC FOR SEVERAL FIELD OPERATIONS.

Flight Info : BIEN HOA - ABOUT 150-200 HOURS REAR SEAT O-1 - PILOT CALL SIGN KENNEY; III CORP AREA FROM BIEN HOA TO VUNG TAU AND FREE FIRE ZONE NORTH OF XUAN LOC. GOT TO BOMB THE HO CHI MINH TRAIL... DROPPING SMOKE GRENADES OUT THE WINDOW INTO DRY GRASS AREAS TO START FIRES

Enemy fire: OVER RUN IN THE TOWN OF BA RIA DURING TET. SURROUNDED FOR THREE DAYS IN THE ARVN SECTOR HEADQUARTERS BEFORE BEING RESCUED BY AUSTRALIANS. SNIPER FIRE, FREQUENT MORTAR ATTACKS AROUND XUAN LOC THROUGH OUT THE YEAR., B-40s DURING A FIELD OPERATION NEAR BIEN HOA. RECEIVED A VIETNAMESE GALLARY CROSS WITH BRONZE STAR FOR ACTIONS DURING TET.

History Military Comments: INJURED SPINE IN VIETNAM; TREATMENT AFTER I RETURNED LASTED OVER A YEAR AND RESULTED IN A PHYSICAL PROFILE THAT KEPT ME FROM RE-ENLISTING. RECEIVING VA DISABILITY. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE IF THE AIR FORCE HAD RECOGNIZED OUR COMBAT ROLE WITH THE ARMY.

Comments Romad Comments: THE WORST AND THE BEST YEAR OF MY LIFE. WAS GLAD FOR THE FREEDOM TO DO THE JOB IN THE FIELD WITHOUT ALL THE BIG BASE RULES. BEING N THE FIELD WITH THE ARVN GAVE ME A DIFFERENT VIEW OF THE WAR.

Pictures / Orders Pictures: LIVED IN NEW ORLEANS UNTIL 2005 HURRICANE KATRINA, HOME FLOODED WITH 15 FEET OF WATER, LOST NEARLY EVERYTHING INCLUDING PHOTOS, ETC FROM VIETNAM. A FEW ITEMS SURVIVED.

ROMAD:: JOSEPH R PARISH TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DELMAR, DE

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1975 ~ 1984

Assignments

History

Comments Have RV will travel - LOL

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAY CLAYTON PEACOCK

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SCOTTSGORO, AL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 9-69 ~ 9-70 21 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 21st TASS 9/1969 - 9/1970 - Vietnam
Yes, mainly Gia Nghia and Bu Prang

History 2047 Comm SQDN Maxwell AFB AL 10/67 - 8/69

Comments At the time I was in service, I was a 29350. The 304's were all maintenance guys. The 293's were "ground radio operators". I don't remember the AFSC for the "airborne" operators, guys who worked the airborne command posts.

Pictures / Orders Yes, I have several from Nha Trang, Pleiku, Gia Nghia.

ROMAD:: CLIFFORD L PIPER A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: LEXINGTON, IL

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 06-66 ~ 01-68 507TH DASC

Assignments Assigned: 6/66 to 1/68 507th DASC Shaw AFB, South Carolina

History I joined the National Guard in 1975 and became the Commo Chief for an Infantry HQ Company and got out in 1986 as SFC

Comments I think that it is a great chance for all of us to get together.

I went to Ft. Benning, Ga for Jump School in May of 1965 then to Keesler AFB for 304x4 until July 1966 when I was assigned to the 507 DASC at Shaw AFB. While there I spent most of time working with 82nd at Ft. Bragg and 101st at Ft. Campbell along with numerous TDY's. While there at Shaw I got my 5 level P-30454. I got out in Jan. 1968 and then the unit went to Vietnam in June of 1968.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DANNY CAROL PONDER A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: PAULINE, SC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: CONDOR 21

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 12-73 ~ 6-75 704 TACP SHAW AFB SUMPTER SC

Assignments Assigned: Ft. Campbell and Ft. Brag

History

Comments I was airborne so I got to spend a lot of time with 82nd. Had a MRC107A and a MRC108. I don't remember our commander but I'll never forget Sgt Jim Blakeslee. Has some great times.

Jump School BAD!

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DAVID K POTTER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CLERMONT, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: MILLERS BRUTE 33

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 7-68 ~ 7-69 22ND TASS

Assignments Assigned: Enemy fire: Yes. Came under enemy fire while stationed at B43, Cao Lanh. Various dates. Came under enemy fire while stationed with MACV Team 50, Cao Lanh. Various dates. Came under enemy fire while on operations at Mt. Nui Coto, Chau Duc province, IV CORPS.

History Military Units: Assigned to B43 (Special Forces), Cao Lanh, IV CORPS. Assigned to MACV Team 50, Cao Lanh, IV CORPS. Flight Info: Binh Thuy, Vietnam - Fly O1e: Flew back seat in O1.

Comments Romad Comments: Very favorable times assigned to 22nd TASS and being with very professional people, officers and enlisted.

Military Comments: Joined the Air Force to stay out of the Army. Spent a year and a half at McCoy AFB, Orlando, FL. Received orders for Vietnam and ended up assigned to army units to provide air support coordination for ground operations. All in all, enjoyed my time in the service, proud to have served, would do it again in an instant.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DAVID LEE QUINN A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: WAMEGO, KS

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 46 MIKE

Flight Number 0 DASF Years TAM SPM MJIT AB VN

Assignments Assigned: Attached to 2nd Battalion / 8th Cav. / 1st Brigade (Airborne) / 1st Air Cav. (Hemphill's Raiders). Enemy fire: Yes. LZ OASIS near the Cambodia border off Hiway 19.

History I spent a total of 29 years in the service, retiring as a CMSgt in 1987. Speaking for both me and my family, some our best memories are of our joint-service assignments: the 7th DASF from 65-68. My return to RVN in 70-71, assigned to the ALCE at Hue / Phu Bai AAF (101st Abn), ALCE at Lawson AAF, Ft Benning, GA (USA Airborne Department), 71-76. and USEUCOM Hqs, Patch Barracks, Vaihingen, GE, 76-79. Both of our sons are Air Force veterans. Our oldest son is still on active duty as a Lt Col at (you've got it) Ft Leavenworth, KS, where he is an instructor at the US Army Command and Staff School, teaching Air Force Doctrine, thus carrying on the joint-service tradition. Would like to hear from Gary Hauge if he reads this.

Comments Many of those in the Army at Ahn Khe disliked anyone associated with the Air Force and would go out of their way to cause trouble. This included all ranks. I had few friends while with the 2nd / 8th.

Pictures / Orders I have some slides. However my scanner is currently out of service. I need to obtain new software as I have upgrades to a newer operating system.

ROMAD:: RICHARD JOSEPH RANDO A1C

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: TUCSON, AZ

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 20 TASS

Assignments Assigned: Bien Hoa, Bear Cat, ROK Captial Division (Tigers) at a detachment called "Miami Beach"

Wish I could remember more about where I was, especiall location of "Miami Beach" and Tigertown.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JOHN W RICH, JR.

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: PAUL ROERSTER

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: WINSTON VERNON ROGERS TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FLEMINGTON, MO

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 70 ~ 75 GERMANY

Assignments Assigned: OL42K 601 DASS Aschaffenburg Germany, 3rd Bde, 3 INF Div

History Retired 20 years in 1979

Comments Fun times

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: RICHARD AL RUNK A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: INDIAN HARBOUR BEACH, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 6 DASF Years 1965 ~ 1967 MISAWA, JAPAN

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DALE W SANDERS JR. SMSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: VANCLEAVE, MS

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 67 ~ 68

Assignments Assigned: Various locations, Pleiku AB, 4th ID FSBs and 5th SFG A camps

History 24 years, 1962 to 1986 Started as Heavy ground radio Maintenamce. Remained in the 304 ladder through retirement

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DONALD SCHERCK SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: TOMBALL, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years CAMP CASEY AND CAMP HOWZE 71~73

Assignments Camp Casey and Camp Howze from December 1971 until January 1973. We were given no training whatsoever. We were assigned a pilot and a key to our 108. My original pilot was LtCol Nicholson. Also worked with Col Russell.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders Yes

ROMAD:: DON FOREST SCHREINER SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SANDFORD, NC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 5 DASF Years 66 ~ 67 CLARK AB PHILLIPPINES

Assignments Assigned: I was stationed at Clark AB, but went TDY to Viet Nam (mostly Tay Ninh area.

History I was in the 7th Special Forces and the Air Commandos and wouldn't trade my time for anything.

Comments I was out on Operation Junction City, when a fire fight broke out.

I was working at a "desk job" in the PI when Major Podowski came by. He asked "How would you like to get back on jump status sarge" I said "Yes Sir" and in a couple days I was in the 5th DASF. I enjoyed every minute.

Pictures / Orders Yes, I do and I will be in contact via email.

ROMAD:: ROBERT LEHMAN SCOTT MSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DALZELL, SC

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 4 **DASF Years** 1971 ~ 1972 **CALLED OLAA AT CAMP LONG**

Assignments Assigned: 1971-1972 19TASS FROKA DASC Camp Long Korea
1972-1976 681 DASC Shaw AFB SC
1977-1980 21 TASS Shaw AFB SC
1980-1983 507 TAIRCW Shaw AFB SC
1983-1987 OLAA 507 TAIRCW Hunter AAF GA. 1 7/5 RANGER BN
1987-1990 507 TAIRCW Shaw AFB SC

History Once again I would like to make comments when I have my stuff together.

Comments

I do have some comments and I would like to update this at a later date.

Pictures / Orders Yes, I have some.

ROMAD:: THOMAS EDWARD SEASOR A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: MARSHALL, WI

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: TAMALE 10

Flight Number 0 **DASF Years** 19 TASS

Assignments Assigned: Bueb Gia Fly O1e: 19 TASS, October 67 - October 68
Enemy fire: Bearcat, Dong Tam, Tan An
Military Units: 9th Div. 1st Brigade

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders Lots when I have time, slide movie of air strike w/communications. Probably way to large to send along. Might figure something out.

ROMAD:: JOHN ARTHUR SEBRELL A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: AKRON, OH

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: PACK RAT SIERRA

Flight Number 0 **DASF Years**

Assignments Phan Rang, Saigon, Tan Son Nhut, Da Nang, and back to Saigon.

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CARL EDWARD SHARP

Address on file? YES

City and State:: KERRVILLE, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 **DASF Years**

Assignments Assigned: 23rd TASS - Bergstrom AFV Texas;, composite squadron
24th TASS Howard AFB Panama
604th DASS Camp Rde Cloud Korea
Det 5, 602nd TAC AirWC Fort Ord CA

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROBERT SHIPP

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CARLISLE, PA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned: 602 TAIRCW Ft. Hood TX, 1988-1992
25th ASOS Hawaii, 1992-1996
20 ASOS Ft. Drum NY, 1996-1997
148 ASOS (PA ANG) PA, 2004-2007

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROBERT C SHOOK

Address on file? YES

City and State:: JACKSONVILLE, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 83 ~ 84 604TH DASS CRC DMZ ROK

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHARLES DOUGLAS SMITH A1C
Address on file? YES
City and State:: LIVE OAK, CA
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 0 **DASF Years** AUG 1970 - SEPT 1977
Assignments 19th TASS Osan Korea
Assigned to Osan, radio repair. Always at Osan.

History 381st. Communication Squadron, McConnell AFB.
18 TITAN II Missie sites radio repair and HQ radio repair.
AFSS at Goodfellow AFB as electronic technician. Stayed there after schooling to maintain
the school's equipment.
Always 304X4

Comments Was able to participate in several exercises. Worked on a testing of a beacon for pilots. A
buddy I had in our squadron, passed away 6 months ago. Only one I've kept in touch with. He
lived near Green Bay WI. Lackland AFB, Kessler AFB, McConnell AFB, Osan AB, Goodfellow
AFB.

Pictures / Orders I have B&W negatives of activities around Osan.

ROMAD:: FRED KENNETH SMITH, JR SSGT
Address on file? YES
City and State:: SHERWOOD, AR
Email address on file? YES
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 4 **DASF Years** 2-66 ~ 12-66 **OSAN AB KOREA**
Assignments Assigned: Cavalary Reg., ROK Tiger Div feb 66 - Jul 66
26th Reg., ROK Tiger Div jul 66 to Mid Dec 66

History Enlisted Oct 56 - Retired Nov 76
20 years. Served in SAC, TAC, AFCS, ATC and ADC
Retired as MSGT

Comments Sure was a change from a US radar site. D. Ballanger, Bob Connely (our power and jeep
mech, also volunteered as radio op), and Wayne Whitehead were at Cav Reg, Terry Cummins

moved from Div to 26th when I did.

Pictures / Orders I have some pictures on DVD - no comments or descriptions on the pictures

ROMAD:: JOHN W STEINWAND

Address on file? YES

City and State:: FREMONT, NE

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 73 ~ 76 23 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 23 TASS , 702 1973 - 1976

WE COMPLAINED AND WERE PISSED OF ALL THE TIME . BUT WE ALL DID ENJOY IT . WE FOUGHT TO GET OUR OWN AFSC FOR THE ROMADS .

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: HERBERT BURTON STRICKLAND

Address on file? YES

City and State:: UTICA, MS

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 8-64 ~ 11-66 OKINAWA AND KOREA

Assignments Assigned: TASS - DASS - TASC - DASF

History Active duty from March 1962 until November 1965. AFSC 30454. Keesler AFB, Columbus AFB (SAC), Kadena Okinawa (3/4 DASF), Oson Korea (2nd DASF)

Comments Received the initial jeep units sent to Korea...ROMAD duties in Korea using Collins table top (HAM) equipment before receiving the jeep units. Field experience with the 173rd in Formosa (Sky Soldier Six) and with the ROK Tiger Div in Korea

Pictures / Orders Yes

ROMAD:: ROBERT A SULLIVAN TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DUNNELLON, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 7 DASF Years 9-65 ~ 9-68 WHEELER AFB HI

Assignments Assigned: I was an Operations Supervisor (27170) while assigned to 7 DASF. However, I had previously been a 292 and after most of our 292 and 304 personnel were deployed with the 25th Inf Div in 65-66, I received ROMAD training and participated in numerous training deployments to Pohakalola (?) on the Big Island and in the Kahukus on Oahu. I also assisted in the PACAF Orientation classes we conducted for all PACAF TACPs and FACs from 66-68. After the 25th was deployed we were without equipment for nearly six month and then slowly began receiving all new MRC-108s, as well as two TRC-97s and some other stuff I can't remember. I went on one exercise deployment to Taiwan and was deployed as part of a four-man team to RVN during 68 Tet Offensive. I flew in an O-2 during this deployment with FAC, Capt / Major John Hanks of the 7 DASF. Our team attended Jungle Survival School at Clark on our way back from RVN. SSgt Gary Hauge received minor injuries during the E&E phase and was temporarily hospitalized at Clark. I also attended Airborne training in Okinawa with US Army Special Forces in 68. I was injured in my last jump during the final day of training and underwent surgery on my right hand upon return to Hawaii. I recently read Sgt Hauge's version of our Tet Offensive deployment in 1968 (7 DASF HTML) and enjoyed it very much. He has a fairly good memory.

Enemy fire: Yes, we came under repeated mortar and rocket attack at both Da Nang and Duc Pho during our deployment in 1968. We were quartered in Gunfighter while awaiting transport and took a lot of mortar and rocket fire. One night at Duc Pho was also particularly bad and a lot of helos were damaged or destroyed.

History I spent a total of 29 years in the service, retiring as a CMSgt in 1987. Speaking for both me and my family, some our best memories are of our joint-service assignments: the 7th DASF from 65-68. My return to RVN in 70-71, assigned to the ALCE at Hue/Phu Bai AAF (101st Abn), ALCE at Lawson AAF, Ft Benning, GA (USA Airborne Department), 71-76. and USEUCOM Hqs, Patch Barracks, Vaihingen, GE, 76-79. Both of our sons are Air Force veterans. Our oldest son is still on active duty as a Lt Col at (you've got it) Ft Leavenworth, KS, where he is an instructor at the US Army Command and Staff School, teaching Air Force Doctrine, thus carrying on the joint-service tradition. Would like to hear from Gary Hauge if he reads this.

Comments Except for my Tet offensive experience, I can't think of any bad times. I particularly enjoyed being deployed in the field with infantry. We worked side-by-side and did a lot to foster good communications between our two services and increase knowledge appreciation of the Air Forces tactical close air support operations.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: TODD ANTHONY SWANHART

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ENID, OK

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DANIEL E SWIGER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: SAN JOSE, CA

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: SEVERAL ONES

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 1969 ROK CAP DIV, BAN ME THUOT EAST

Assignments ROK CAP DIV, Ban Me Thuot East
Originally assigned to ROK CAP DIV in Feb 69. Transferred back to Nha Trang in Mar 69 to run Commanders Net.

History

Comments I wasn't officially a ROMAD, was a 29350. Didn't go to tech school since ham radio license meant a DDA to McClellan AFB for 1 year. Then off to Vietnam. NO official training except 5 level upgrade testing and running the base MARS station at McClellan
Shortly after assigned to ROK CAP DIV, got caught up in a friendly fire incident. Was sent bad coordinates, tried to correct twice but refused by DASC. It was my 1st night alone on duty after some OJT. Due to confusion, cleared a flight of F100s w/750 lb bombs on the wrong target. Result was 2 killed, 6 injured, all civilians.. After that, was sent back to Nha Trang to run commanders net. At end of tour did a TDY to Ban Me Thuot East in defense of Duc Lap, Bu Prang for which we were supposed to get the Gallantry Cross
Comments in general on USAF experience:: In general I was treated fairly but wasn't happy with switch to 702x0 returning from Vietnam. That pretty much quenched my desire to stay in the Air Force.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: SAL TAGUBA

Address on file? YES

City and State:: BRASELTON, GA

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 3 DASF Years 2-65 - 12-67 3 DASF

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments Glad to see that somebody is gathering information about our units that for so long had been unknown to the rest of military circle. I would not trade my experience with the 3rd DASF and while TDY to RVN.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHUCK THROOP

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? **NO**

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments Assigned:

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: CHUCK BOYNTON THROOP A2C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: DOTHAN, AL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: BORON CONTROL
Flight Number 0 DASF Years
Assignments 21st TASS at Nha Trang, 101st. ABN Camp Eagle / Camp Rodrigues 1st Brigade uip north March '68 at Hue Phu-Bai then transferred to 3/506 curahee battalion at phan Thiet Jun '68
Assignments: DASA
History
Comments
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: LARRY (JOE) J TREXLER
Address on file? YES
City and State:: CUNNINGHAM, TN
Email address on file? NO
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 5 DASF Years 65 ~ 66 DASC ALPHA VIETNAM
Assignments Assigned:
History TIGER DIV RVN, CLARK AFB, P.I.
Comments Was at the xmas show then with Maj. Marsh at Phu Cat, also Capt. Bernstein, who i am still in contact with. Major Marsh made Bird Col. He died about four years ago.
Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ALAN VANPATE
Address on file? NO
City and State:: ,
Email address on file? NO
DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?
Call Sign in Vietnam:
Flight Number 0 DASF Years
Assignments Assigned: CURRENTLY ON DUTY AS A ROMAD

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: JAMES GRANT VITTER A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: CLERMONT, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 65 ~ 66 JAPAN

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders YES

ROMAD:: STUART VOSK

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments Just read the new post by Ssgt Bumphus and he either has a great memory or has some paperwork in fron of him because all the names he mentioned I do remember.

Funny story concerning him, when he first showed up in Korea, I remember addressing him as Sgt Bumpus. He said "the name is Bumphus...Bumphus". Well, you know what happened after that night. Every time I addressed him I said "Sgt Bumphus...Bumphus". He acted like he was mad when I said it but there was always a little smirk on his face! Though he tried to act like a hardass, he was truly a very nice guy and a pleaseure to serve with.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: EARL KENNETH WALLER SSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NAVARRE, FL

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam: RAGGED SCOOPER 40

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 2-67 ~ 2-68 ROK IN VN

Assignments Assigned: Our call sign was ragged scooper 40. I worked for Lt. Col Flynn and then Maj James A. Cook. Was a S/Sgt and NCOIC for part of the time I was assigned at Div. Hq MACV 1970-1971. 21TASS -assigned to 1st ROK Capital division -

Under fire - yes- in and around Quy Nhon Vietnam.

TACP -Macdill AFB 1968-1970 - worked immediate air support with some great people both American and Korean

History Enlisted in may 1961 attended boot camp at Lackland and radio maintenance school at Keesler until graduation in 1962, at which time I was assigned to Tinan Air Station Taiwan. I was assigned to Makung Island at the radar site. My next assignment was a concurrent to Lindsey A.S. (Hq USAF). TWO TOURS IN NAM, TWO TOURS IN PHILIPPINES., 1961-1991, 304x4, retired 2nd tour in nam 1970-1971 Hq MACV

Comments Two of us were sent to Nha Trang to pick up new radio jeeps, on our way back we experienced TET 68. During operation pershing I was assigned to the Korean 2 Star and flew all over with my portable radio so he could change air strike locations. We came under enemy fire.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: TRACY WHEELER CHMSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ROCKPORT, ME

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years 01-67 ~ 12-67 19 TASS

Assignments Assigned: 19 TASS, 1st Bde 9th Inf Div, Bearcat

History EnemyFire:

Xuan Loc, Tay Ninh

Comments Had no idea I was going to be in a TACP until in-processing at Ton Son Nhut afb. Scary at first, armed with AR 15, SW 38, and hand grenades. Loved it! The freedom to focus on the mission with a great group of guys. Volunteered to go back after DEROS.

May 65 - Aug 93. 304x4 Ground Radio, Retired CMSgt.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: EDWARD E WILLOUGHBY TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: PALO PINTO, TX

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 **DASF Years** 62 ~ 65 **YOKOTA JAPAN**

Assignments Assigned: Was in Nam with the 1st ROK Cap Div

History

Comments Was very good to meet a lot of good friends at the reunion.

Was one of the first in DASF when it went from 1st SHORAN BEACON TO DASF.

Am retired fully now. Would love to hear from any of the old guys.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: DENNIS WOOD TSGT

Address on file? YES

City and State:: ANCHORAGE, AK

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 **DASF Years** 21ST TASS SHAW AFB SC 197

Assignments Supported the 1/75th Ranger Battalion - 101st Airborn Division 172nd Brigade, 4/23 Battalion Airborn.

History 21st TASS Shaw AFB SC 1974~1978
OLEA 25 TASS Fort. Richardson AK 1980~1985
3rd ASOC Fort Richartdson AK 1980~1985
Was a switch from 304 to 275 AFSC

Comments Good part of my life, Have many life long friends.

Pictures / Orders

ROMAD:: ROGER W WOODS A1C

Address on file? YES

City and State:: NAMPA, ID

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 2 DASF Years 05-65 ~ 09-65 KADENA JAPAN

Assignments Assigned: Visited Camp Casy and Camp Howes Korea, in September 1965. My time there would have been meaningful if it had not been for serious problems with Family back in the States.

History After my re-entry into the Air Force in 1971 my career was great. I went back to South East Asia almost immediatly after re-entry and ended up in Thailand. Was there when Sapers hit and took out some fuel revetments. Ended my time in the Air Force as a Student Training Advisor at Lowery AFB Colorado with the 51st School Squadron.

Comments When I was assigned there was no Commander or First Sgt. We had a A2c Orderly Room clerk, a lot of New equipment and a lot of confusion. I was a Ground Support Equipment Repair Troop and it was my job to get the Jeeps and Onan Generators ready for operation.

Pictures / Orders My pictures are already posted at the 2nd DASF site.

ROMAD:: RONALD A WRIGHT SSGT

Address on file? **NO**

City and State:: ARIZONA CITY, AZ

Email address on file? YES

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 1 DASF Years 64 ~ 67 YOKOTA AFB JAPAN

Assigned: With the 1st Shoran-Beacon squadron at Yakota AFB at the time it was converted

Assignments

to 1st DASF. I do not remember any call signs. I did fly (back seat) in our O-1s a couple of times with our FAC in the front.

We were in the first convoy with the 2nd Bde, 25th Infantry to arrive at our new base camp at Cu Chi, RVN. We received frequent incoming from outside the wire for about the first six weeks we were there.

History

Under Fire: Yes, Cu Chi while attached to the 2nd Bde, 25th Inf Division from Jan-Jul (TDY) 1966.

After returning to Japan, I applied for and received a Warrent Officer appointment in the Army as an Electronics Repair Tech in Feb 1967. One year later, Feb 68, I entered helicopter flight school, followed by CH-47 "Chinook" transition and returned to Viet Nam with the 205th Avn. Co. "Geronimo's" stationed at Phu Loi from Feb 69 to Feb 70. From there I went to Germany for four years and the to Ft. Carson, Colo. until I retired 31 Dec 1966.

Comments

In the begining, we did a lot of training to get up to speed with this new Air Force ground support concept. Classes at Yokota on the new equipment, Field exercises working with U.S. and ROK units in Korea, jungle survival and escape and evasion in the Phillapines that was all preperation for TDY to RVN. Jan 1966 flew from Japan to Bien Hoa RVN in C-124 with two radio jeeps, generator trailers and all our personal gear. A couple of days later, we were hooked up with the 2nd Bde, 25th Infandy Division and were in the first convoy to to arrive at our new base camp at Cu Chi. Was told we would be gone from Japan for 90 days but was there until the 2nd or 3rd of Jul. Just a few days short of 180 days that would have made it a PCS rather than TDY. Amaizing how those things seem to happen when you are working for the government! Do have many memories of things there like sniper fire on a frequent basis, being in a convoy going to the field when the lead vehicle (APC) hit a mine and knocked off a track and we were stoped in the road with tall bamboo on both sides. Smelled like ambush time to us but a tank retriever from the back of the convoy ran over everything in its way to go around and get to the front to move the APC off the road. Nothing else bad happened except that I think I got my first gray hair that day. Lot of memories of people, places and things that will live in my memory as long as I live. Some good and some bad memories that I will never forget.

Pictures / Orders



ROMAD:: PHILL S YACIUK

Address on file? NO

City and State:: ,

Email address on file? NO

DASF Informaton: ROMAD or FAC? ROMAD Deceased?

Call Sign in Vietnam:

Flight Number 0 DASF Years

Assignments

History

Comments

Pictures / Orders



